

CITY OF **La Cañada Flintridge**

Item No. 17
Meeting Date
5/15/78

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AGENDA STATEMENT

I. SUBJECT: Propositions 13 and 8

II. EXHIBITS ATTACHED: None

Agreement ___ Resolution x Ordinance ___ Plan ___
Environment Review Status ___ Other _____

III. SUBMITTED BY: City Manager *OW*

IV. RECOMMENDATION: Adopt resolution

V. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: See description.

VI. DESCRIPTION: Mayor Hillgren has asked that an analysis be performed of the impact of Propositions 8 and 13 to the City of La Canada Flintridge.

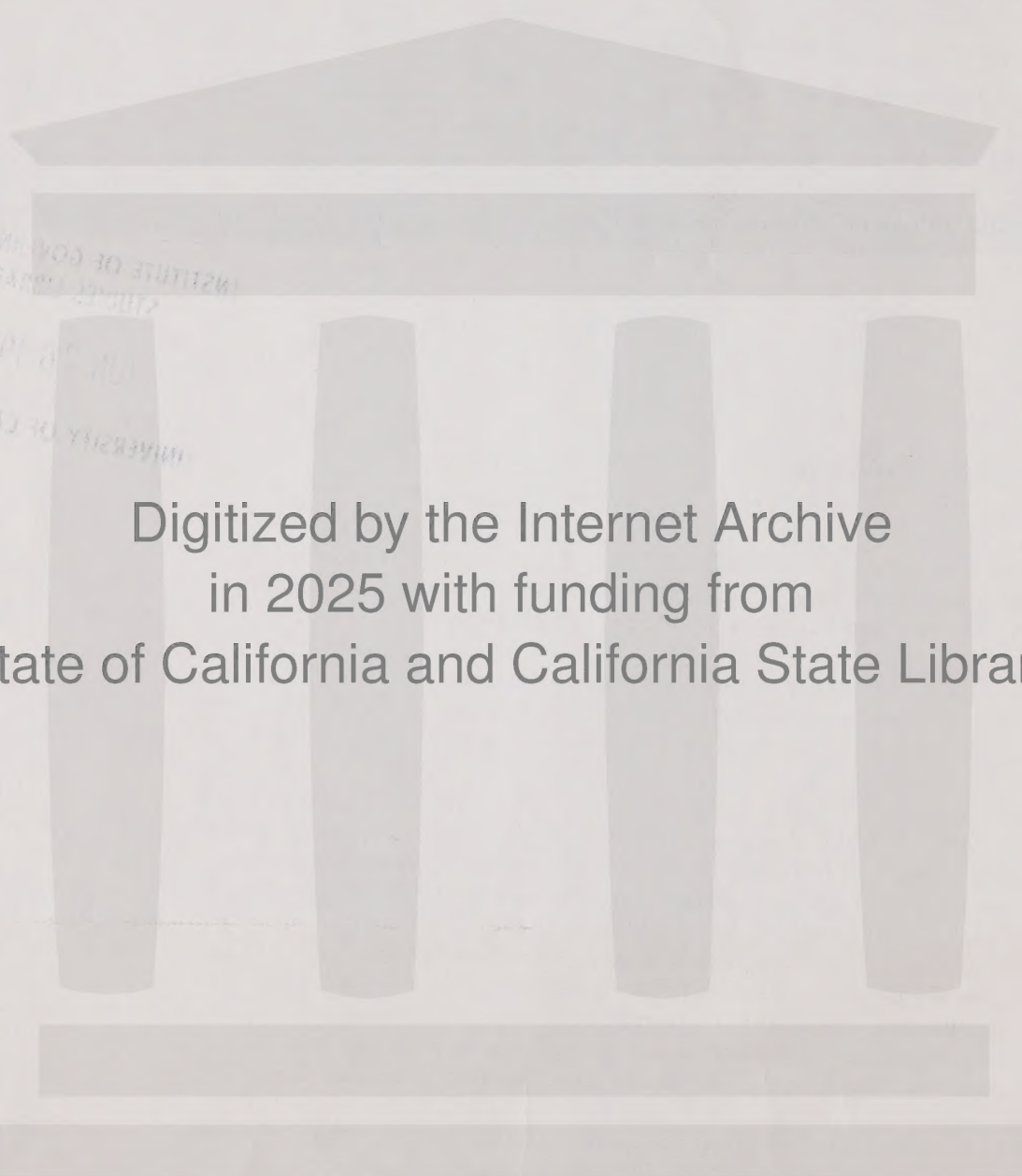
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has instructed the Chief Administrative Officer to contact Contract Cities and inform them that the County is reviewing all of the County Contracts in contemplation of eliminating all or some contracts.

It appears that if Proposition 13 passes, many County Department will be greatly reduced. The result would be an increased overhead charge to Contract Cities because of the narrower base and the loss of economies of scale. Some services would be effected more than others. For instance, the Road Department is sustained almost entirely by Gas Tax Funds, which would not be affected by Proposition 13. The County Engineer has informed us that if Proposition 13 passes, they will probably cease contracting services to cities entirely. This would necessitate the City contracting with some other agency or with a private firm. It is extremely difficult at this stage to make any estimate as to the cost impact on the City.

Itemized below are evaluations of the impact on the City of the passage of Proposition 13. The major impact appears to be not to the City, but to special districts and to county services which are provided to city residents. The Fire District and Library District anticipate major reductions of services. Whether or not those funds are replaced by the State, there would be an impact to the City because of the reduction of property taxes collected in the City's name in the City's name for those two districts. The decrease in property taxes for those two districts would result in an estimated \$35,000 per year reduction in revenue sharing funds to the City. Passage of Proposition 8 would result in an estimated loss of \$16,500 in revenue sharing funds.

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The Department of Arboreta and Botanic Gardens indicates that Descanso Gardens would be closed upon the passage of Proposition 13.

The Parks and Recreation Department informs us that only 3 men would be maintained for maintenance of the entire County Trail system, so that for all practical purposes, there would be no maintenance of the trail system.

In each of these cases, it would be possible for the City to contract for maintaining of the services. No estimate has been made as to the cost of such contracts.

With the exception of the reduction of revenue sharing funds, it appears that there would be no impact to City Services upon the passage of Proposition 8.

A resolution has been prepared for consideration of the City Council in the event the Council wishes to take a position on these two propositions.

Contract Services

Planning	- Minimal impact
Parks & Recreation	- Probably higher overhead
Sheriff	- Probably higher overhead
District Attorney	- Unknown
Emergency Ambulance	- No impact
Animal Control	- No impact
Building & Safety	- Probably eliminated
Engineering Services	- Probably eliminated
Health	- Unknown
Road Department	- Minimal impact

District or County Services

Fire	- Eliminate paramedic, decrease from 15 to 6 men and from 6 to 2 trucks in 2 stations
Library	County-wide 73 of 93 libraries closed La Canada Flintridge branch open 5 days per week, 10 am to 5pm, eliminate all special services
Descanso Gardens	- Closed
Trails System	- Maintenance terminated (3 men for entire trail system)

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